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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION--CYPRIOT INTEREST IN
MISSING IN ACTION IN CYPRUS

REF: GENEVA 989

1. A GROUP OF CYPRIOT CITIZENS, KNOWN AS THE PAN-CYPRIAN
COMMITTEE OF PARENTS AND RELATIVES OF UNDECLARED PRISONERS
AND MISSING PERSONS, HAS BEEN MAKING THE ROUNDS IN
WASHINGTON URGING USG SUPPORT FOR A MOVE FOR THE HUMAN
RIGHTS COMMISSION TO SET UP AN IMPARTIAL MISSION TO
INVESTIGATE MISSING PERSONS IN BOTH GREEK AND TURKISH
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CYPRIOT SECTORS IN CYPRUS.

2. GROUP CALLED ON EUR DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY LAINGEN TO PRESENT THEIR REQUEST. LAINGEN EMPHASIZED CONTINUING CONCERN OF US GOVERNMENT OVER PROBLEM OF REFUGEES AND MISSING PERSONS IN CYPRUS AND SAID WE PREPARED TO SUPPORT EFFECTIVE MEANS TO ACCOMPLISH THE OBJECTIVE WE ALL SHARED. TO THIS END WE HAD SUPPORTED GA RESOLUTION 3450 (XXX). OUR POSITION CONTINUED TO BE THAT THE BEST WAY TO RESOLVE THESE DIFFICULTIES WOULD BE THROUGH PROMPT NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE PARTIES DIRECTLY INVOLVED. WE WOULD, HOWEVER, BE FOLLOWING THE SITUATION IN GENEVA AS IT DEVELOPS DURING THE CURRENT SESSION.

3. FYI. WE HAVE NO INFORMATION THAT CYPRUS OR OTHER HRC MEMBERS OR OBSERVERS PLAN TO INTRODUCE MOTION ALONG LINES DESCRIBED IN PARA 1. STAFFS OF CONGRESSMAN ZABLOCKI AND SENATOR PERCY INFORMED DEPT THAT CYPRIOT GROUP HAD CALLED ON THEIR PRINCIPALS ASKING FOR USG SUPPORT. END FYI. INGERSOLL

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